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Daily Digest

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate agreed to the Education Savings Act for Public and Private Schools Conference Report.

The House passed H.R. 4101, Agriculture Appropriations Act.

The House passed H.R. 4103, Defense Appropriations Act.

House Committees ordered reported 8 sundry measures.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S6917–S7038

Measures Introduced: Six bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2209–2214, S. Con. Res. 105, and S. Res. 254. **Pages S7012–13**

Measures Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H.J. Res. 54, proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States authorizing the Congress to prohibit the physical desecration of the flag of the United States.

S.J. Res. 40, proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States authorizing Congress to prohibit the physical desecration of the flag of the United States.

Special Report entitled “Further Revised Allocation to Subcommittees of Budget Totals, Fiscal Year 1999.” (S. Rept. No. 105–221) **Page S7012**

Measures Passed:

Occupational Safety and Health Administration Compliance Assistance Authorization: Senate passed H.R. 2864, to require the Secretary of Labor to establish a program under which employers may consult with State officials respecting compliance with occupational safety and health requirements, clearing the measure for the President. **Page S7035**

Occupational Safety and Health Reform: Senate passed H.R. 2877, to amend the Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970, clearing the measure for the President. **Pages S7035–36**

National Character Counts Week: Senate agreed to S. Res. 176, proclaiming the week of October 18 through October 24, 1998, as “National Character Counts Week”. **Page S7037**

National Bone Marrow Registry Reauthorization: Committee on Labor and Human Resources was discharged from further consideration of H.R. 2202, to amend the Public Health Service Act to revise and extend the bone marrow donor program, and the bill was then passed, clearing the measure for the President. **Page S7037**

National Drought Policy Act: Senate passed H.R. 3035, to establish an advisory commission to provide advice and recommendations on the creation of an integrated, coordinated Federal policy designed to prepare for and respond to serious drought emergencies, clearing the measure for the President. **Pages S7037–38**

Department of Defense Authorizations: Senate resumed consideration of S. 2057, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 1999 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, and to prescribe personnel strengths for such fiscal year for the Armed Forces, taking action on amendments proposed thereto, as follows: **Pages S6935–S7008**

Adopted:

By 90 yeas to 5 nays (Vote No. 170), Thurmond Amendment No. 2975, to express the sense of Congress regarding continued participation of United States forces in operations in Bosnia and Herzegovina. **Pages S6935–56**

McCain Amendment No. 2977 (to Amendment No. 2975), to require the President to submit to Congress certain reports on the missions of United States forces in Bosnia and Herzegovina. **Pages S6946–56**

Kempthorne Amendment No. 2892, to provide a substitute for title XXIX, to provide for the withdrawal of lands at the Juniper Butte Range, Idaho, from all forms of appropriation under the public land laws, including the mining laws and the mineral and geothermal leasing laws, and to reserve these lands for use by the Secretary of the Air Force.

Pages S6963-67

Brownback Amendment No. 2978, to require separate housing for male and female basic trainees, and to ensure after-hours privacy for basic trainees.

Pages S6967-81

By 56 yeas to 37 nays (Vote No. 172), Levin (for Snowe/Cleland) Amendment No. 2979 (to Amendment No. 2978), to require a moratorium on changes to gender-related policies and practices.

Pages S6967-81

Warner (for Thurmond) Amendment No. 2985, to require a report on leasing and other alternative uses of non-excess military property by the military departments.

Pages S6991-92

Levin (for Harkin) Amendment No. 2986, to require a plan for addressing problems in Department of Defense management of the department's inventories of in-transit secondary items.

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Warner (for Thurmond) Modified Amendment No. 2447, to limit advance billings for working-capital funds of the Department of Defense.

Pages S6992-93

Levin (for Rockefeller) Amendment No. 2987, to provide for an assessment of the establishment of an independent entity to evaluate post-conflict illnesses among members of the Armed Forces and the health care provided by the Department of Defense and Department of Veterans Affairs both before and after the deployment of such members.

Pages S6993-94

Warner (for Kyl) Amendment No. 2838, to establish a commission to assess the reliability, safety, and security of the United States nuclear deterrent.

Pages S6994-95

Levin (for Wyden and Smith of Oregon) No. 2796, to state the sense of the Senate regarding the memoranda of understanding with the State of Oregon relating to Hanford.

Pages S6995-96

Warner (for Frist) Amendment No. 2812, to express the sense of Congress concerning the naming of an LPD-17 class amphibious vessel in honor of Lieutenant General Clifton B. Cates, the 19th Commandant of the Marine Corps.

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Warner (for Thurmond) Amendment No. 2988, to provide authority to waive the moratorium on the use of anti-personnel landmines scheduled to begin on February 12, 1999.

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Levin (for Leahy) Amendment No. 2989, to make available funds for activities relating to the identification, adaptation, modification, research, and de-

velopment of existing and new tactics, technologies, and operational concepts with regard to landmines.

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Levin Amendment No. 2990, to re-establish the initiative relating to fair trade in automotive parts.

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Warner (for Lott) Amendment No. 2991, to provide for accountability of the Director and Deputy Director of the Naval Home.

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Warner (for Ford/McConnell) Amendment No. 2992, to ensure continuity in the management of the program for assessing alternative technologies for the destruction of assembled chemical munitions, and to provide for the use of such technologies.

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Warner (for McCain/Lieberman) Amendment No. 2993, to authorize the President to advance Benjamin O. Davis, Jr., to the grade of general on the retired list of the Air Force.

Pages S7001-02

Levin (for Torricelli/Lautenberg) Amendment No. 2994, to require a report regarding the savings and effect of personnel reductions in the Army Materiel Command.

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Warner (for Grams/Wellstone) Amendment No. 2995, to authorize a land conveyance, Naval Air Reserve Center, Minneapolis, Minnesota.

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Levin (for Durbin) Amendment No. 2996, to authorize a land conveyance, Army Reserve Center, Peoria, Illinois.

Pages S7002-03

Warner (for D'Amato) Amendment No. 2997, to authorize a land conveyance, Skaneateles, New York.

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Levin (for Wyden) Modified Amendment No. 2874, to require a review of the methods used by the Department of Energy to calculate overhead costs of cleanup of Department sites.

Page S7003

Warner (for Coats) Amendment No. 2998, to revise authorities relating to a Department of Defense officer designated as a member of the Panama Canal Commission supervisory board by the Secretary of Defense.

Pages S7003-04

Levin (for Feingold) Amendment No. 2809, to require an annual GAO review of the F/A-18E/F aircraft program.

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Warner (for DeWine/Glenn) Amendment No. 2826, to authorize the conveyance of the vessel ex-U.S.S. *Lorain County* (LST-1177) to the Ohio War Memorial, Inc., Sandusky, Ohio.

Pages S7004-05

Levin (for Bingaman) Amendment No. 2999, to guarantee the long-term national security of the United States by investing in a robust Defense Science and Technology Program.

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Warner (for Thurmond) Modified Amendment No. 2448, to add disposal receipts objectives for three additional fiscal years; to clarify the authority relating to the disposal of chromium ferroalloy; to

add a condition to the authority to dispose of certain strategic and critical materials in the National Defense Stockpile; and to authorize use of funds in the National Defense Stockpile Transaction Fund for certain environmental activities. **Pages S7005–06**

Levin (for Feinstein/Boxer) Amendment No. 3000, to express the sense of Congress regarding the home-
porting of the U.S.S. *Iowa* battleship at the Port of San Francisco. **Page S7006**

Warner (for Grassley) Modified Amendment No. 2822, to improve the process for designating defense property for demilitarization and to further penalize acts involved in unlawful export of certain merchandise. **Pages S7006–07**

Levin (for Byrd) Amendment No. 2860, to prohibit evaluation of the merit of selling malt beverages and wine in commissary stores as exchange store merchandise. **Pages S7007–08**

Warner/Moynihan Amendment No. 3001, to provide a substitute that clarifies that additional museums may be designated as "America's National Maritime Museum". **Page S7008**

Rejected:

Smith of New Hampshire Modified Amendment No. 2912, to limit the use of funds to support the continued deployment of ground combat forces of the Armed Forces of the United States in Bosnia and Herzegovina pending a vote of Congress on the continuation of the deployment, and to require the President to submit to Congress a plan for withdrawing United States forces from Bosnia and Herzegovina if Congress does not so act by March 31, 1999. (By 65 yeas to 31 nays (Vote No. 171), Senate tabled the amendment.) **Pages S6956–63**

Pending:

Inhofe Amendment No. 2981, to modify the restrictions on the general authority of the Department of Defense regarding the closure and realignment of military installations, and to express the sense of the Congress on further rounds of such closures and realignments. **Pages S6982–91**

Harkin/Wellstone Amendment No. 2982, to authorize a transfer of funds from the Department of Defense to the Department of Veterans Affairs for health care. **Pages S6987–91**

A unanimous-consent-time agreement was reached providing for the consideration of the pending amendments and an amendment to be proposed to the bill, with votes to occur thereon, on Thursday, June 25, 1998. **Page S7038**

Education Savings Act for Public and Private Schools—Conference Report: By 59 yeas to 36

nays (Vote No. 169), Senate agreed to the conference report on H.R. 2646, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow tax-free expenditures from education individual retirement accounts for elementary and secondary school expenses, and to increase the maximum annual amount of contributions to such accounts, clearing the measure for the President. **Pages S6918–35**

Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nomination:

Louis Caldera, of California, to be Secretary of the Army. **Pages S7037, S7038**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Barry P. Goode, of California, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit.

Robert Bruce King, of West Virginia, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Fourth Circuit.

Thomasina V. Rogers, of Maryland, to be a Member of the Occupational Safety and Health Review Commission for the remainder of the term expiring April 27, 2001. **Page S7038**

Nomination Withdrawn: Senate received notification of the withdrawal of the following nomination:

Daniel Guttman, of the District of Columbia, to be a Member of the Occupational Safety and Health Review Commission for a term expiring April 27, 2001, vice Edwin G. Foulke, Jr., term expired, which was sent to the Senate on January 9, 1997. **Page S7038**

Messages From the House:

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Measures Referred:

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Measures Placed on Calendar:

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Amendments Submitted:

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Authority for Committees:

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Additional Statements:

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Record Votes: Four record votes were taken today. (Total—172) **Pages S6935, S6956, S6963, S6981**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m., and adjourned at 10:27 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Thursday, June 25, 1998. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S7038.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

FINANCIAL SERVICES COMPETITIVENESS ACT

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Committee resumed hearings on H.R. 10, to enhance competition in the financial services industry by providing a prudential framework for the affiliation of banks, securities firms, and other financial service providers, receiving testimony from Mary Griffin, on behalf of Consumers Union and the Consumer Federation of America, Edmund Mierzewski, U.S. Public Interest Research Group, Allen J. Fishbein, Center for Community Change, John E. Taylor, National Community Reinvestment Coalition, and Ralph Nader, all of Washington, D.C.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Committee ordered favorably reported the following bills:

S. 1695, to establish the Sand Creek Massacre National Historic Site in the State of Colorado, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 1418, to promote the research, identification, assessment, exploration, and development of methane hydrate resources, with amendments;

H.R. 2217, to extend the deadline for the commencement of construction of a FERC hydroelectric project located in San Miguel, Colorado to January 30, 2002;

H.R. 2165, to extend the deadline for the commencement of construction of a FERC hydroelectric project located in Scott County, Iowa for up to three consecutive 2-year periods;

H.R. 2841, to extend the deadline for the commencement of construction of a FERC hydroelectric project located in Bracken County, Kentucky for up to three consecutive 2-year periods;

H.R. 449, to provide for the orderly disposal of certain Federal lands in Clark County, Nevada, and to provide for the acquisition of environmentally sensitive lands in the State of Nevada; and

S. 890, to dispose of certain Federal properties located in Dutch John, Utah, and to assist the local government in the interim delivery of basic services to the Dutch John community, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

ASIAN FINANCIAL CONDITION

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee on International Economic Policy, Export, and Trade Promotion held hearings to examine the state of certain Asian economies and currencies, receiving testi-

mony from Lawrence H. Summers, Deputy Secretary of the Treasury.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

KOSOVO

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee on European Affairs held hearings to examine the current state of human rights violations and United States policy in the Yugoslavian province of Kosovo, receiving testimony from Senator D'Amato; former Senator Dole, on behalf of the International Commission on Missing Persons in the Former Yugoslavia; and Morton I. Abramowitz, International Crisis Group, Washington, D.C., former Assistant Secretary of State for Intelligence and Research.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

GOVERNMENT COMPUTER SECURITY

Committee on Governmental Affairs: Committee concluded hearings to examine the state of computer security within Federal, State and local agencies, focusing on certain risks related to computer-communication technology and efforts to reduce them, after receiving testimony from George J. Tenet, Director of Central Intelligence; and Lt. Gen. Kenneth A. Minihan, Director, National Security Agency, Department of Defense.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee ordered favorably reported the following measures:

S.J. Res. 40, proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States authorizing Congress to prohibit the physical desecration of the flag of the United States; and

H.J. Res. 54, proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States authorizing the Congress to prohibit the physical desecration of the flag of the United States.

AGRICULTURE GUESTWORKER PROGRAM

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Immigration concluded hearings to examine the implementation and the ability of the H-2A agricultural guestworker program (which provides a way for U.S. agricultural employers to bring nonimmigrant foreign workers into the United States to perform seasonal agricultural work on a temporary basis when domestic workers are unavailable) to meet the needs of the agricultural industry, after receiving testimony from Senators Graham, Gorton, Craig, Coverdell, Wyden, and Gordon Smith; Representatives Berman and Robert Smith; Carlotta C. Joyner, Director,

Education and Employment Issues, Health, Education, and Human Services Division, General Accounting Office; Howard Kelly, Michigan Farm Bureau, Lansing; Juanita Santana, Oregon Child Development Coalition, Wilsonville; Leo C. Polopolus, University of Florida, Gainesville; Walter Kates, Florida Fruit and Vegetable Association, Orlando, on behalf of the National Council of Agricultural Employers; and Robert A. Williams, Florida Legal Services, Inc., Tallahassee.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Labor and Human Resources: Committee ordered favorably reported S. 2206, to make improvements to and authorize funds for programs of the Head Start Act, the Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Act of 1981, and the Community Services Block Grant Act, and to establish demonstration projects that provide an opportunity for persons with limited means to accumulate assets, with amendments.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Indian Affairs: Committee ordered favorably reported the following bills:

S. 1925, to make certain technical corrections in laws relating to Native Americans, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute; and

S. 1998, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to establish the Four Corners Interpretive Center within the boundaries of the Four Corners Monument Tribal Park using land designated and made available by the Navajo Nation or the Ute Mountain Ute Tribe.

INDIAN WATER RIGHTS

Committee on Indian Affairs: Committee concluded joint hearings with the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources' Subcommittee on Water and Power on the following bills:

S. 1899, to approve and ratify the Water Rights Compact entered into on April 14, 1997, by the Chippewa Cree Tribe of the Rocky Boy's Reservation and the State of Montana, after receiving testimony from Robert T. Anderson, Counselor to the Secretary of the Interior; Roger St. Pierre, Chippewa Cree Tribe of the Rocky Boy's Reservation, Box Elder, Montana; and Chris D. Tweeten, Montana Reserved Water Rights Compact Commission, Helena; and

S. 1771, to provide for a final settlement of the claims of the Colorado Ute Indian Tribes, after receiving testimony from Senator Allard; Eluid Martinez, Commissioner, Bureau of Reclamation, Department of the Interior; Colorado Attorney General Gale Norton, Denver; New Mexico State Engineer Thomas C. Turney, Santa Fe; Clement Frost, Southern Ute Tribal Council, Ignacio, Colorado; Judy Knight-Frank, Ute Mountain Ute Tribal Council, Towaoc, Colorado; James C. Decker, Taxpayers for the Animas River, and Sage Remington, Southern Ute Grassroots Organization, both of Durango, Colorado; Mark Duncan, San Juan Water Commission, Farmington, New Mexico; and Lori Potter, Kelly, Haglund, Garnsey & Kahn, Denver, Colorado, on behalf of the Sierra Club.

INTELLIGENCE

Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee held closed hearings on intelligence matters, receiving testimony from officials of the intelligence community.

Committee will meet again tomorrow.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced:

15 Public bills, H.R. 4123–4137; and 5 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 295–296 and H. Res. 492–494, were introduced.

Pages H5296–97

Reports Filed:

Reports were filed as follows:

H.R. 3840, to provide for the exchange of certain lands within the State of Utah (H. Rept. 105–598);

Conference report on H.R. 2676, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to restructure and reform the Internal Revenue Service (H. Rept. 105–599);

Report on the Revised Suballocation of Budget Totals for Fiscal Year 1999 (H. Rept. 105–600);

H. Res. 489, providing for consideration of H.R. 4112, making appropriations for the Legislative Branch for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999 (H. Rept. 105–601);

H. Res. 490, waiving points of order against the conference report on H.R. 2676, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to restructure and reform the Internal Revenue Service (H. Rept. 105–602); and

H. Res. 491, providing for consideration of a concurrent resolution for the adjournment of the House

and Senate for the Independence Day district work period (H. Rept. 105-603). **Pages H5100-95, H5296**

Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designated Representative Blunt to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H5067**

Guest Chaplain: The prayer was offered by the guest Chaplain, Rev. David Clift of Duck, North Carolina. **Page H5067**

Presidential Veto Message—Iran Missile Proliferation Act: Read a message from the President, received by the Clerk on Tuesday, June 23, wherein he announces his veto of H.R. 2709, to impose certain sanctions on foreign persons who transfer items contributing to Iran's efforts to acquire, develop, or produce ballistic missiles, and explains his reasons therefore. The message was ordered printed (H. Doc. 105-276) and agreed to refer the bill and the veto message to the Committee on International Relations. **Pages H5071-72**

Land Exchange Within Utah: The House passed H.R. 3830, to provide for the exchange of certain lands within the State of Utah. **Pages H5072-73**

Fort Berthold Indian Reservation Mineral Leasing: The House passed S. 2069, to permit the mineral leasing of Indian land located within the Fort Berthold Indian reservation in any case in which there is consent from a majority interest in the parcel of land under consideration for lease—clearing the measure for the President. **Pages H5074-75**

Agriculture Appropriations Act: The House passed H.R. 4101, making appropriations for Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999, by a yeas and nays vote of 373 yeas to 48 nays, Roll No. 264. The House completed debate and considered amendments to the bill on June 23. **Pages H5075-H5100, H5195-H5212**

On a demand for a separate vote, the House rejected the Bass amendment that limits total funding for Wildlife Service Program operations and reduces the livestock protection program by \$10 million by a recorded vote of 192 yeas to 232 noes, Roll No. 263. The Bass amendment was agreed to on June 23 in the Committee of the Whole and then modified on June 24. **Pages H5211-12**

Agreed To:

The Coburn amendment that prohibits funds to be used by the FDA for any drug for the chemical inducement of abortion (agreed to by a recorded vote of 223 yeas to 202 noes, Roll No. 260); and

Pages H5089-H5100, H5195-96

The Sanders amendment that increases funding for nutrition programs for senior citizens by \$10 million. **Pages H5197-98**

Rejected:

The Miller of Florida amendment that sought to prohibit the use of funding to provide a loan to a processor of sugarcane or sugar beets at a loan rate in excess of 17 cents per pound for raw cane sugar and 21.9 cents per pound for refined beet sugar (rejected by a recorded vote of 167 yeas to 258 noes with 1 voting "present", Roll No. 261); and

Pages H5075-85, H5196

The Royce amendment that sought to prohibit funding for the market access program (rejected by a recorded vote of 118 yeas to 307 noes, Roll No. 262).

Pages H7585-88, H5196-97

Agreed by unanimous consent to modify the Bass amendment, agreed to on June 23, by specifying that the \$18.8 million limitation of funding refers to Wildlife Services Program operations. **Page H5200**

H. Res. 482, the rule that provided for consideration of the bill, was agreed to on June 23.

Defense Appropriations Act: The House passed H.R. 4103, making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999, by a yeas and nays vote of 358 yeas to 61 nays, Roll No. 266. **Pages H5222-52**

Agreed To:

The Bentsen amendment that prohibits any funding for the transportation into the United States of polychlorinated biphenyls manufactured outside the United States and owned by the Department of Defense except as provided for in the Toxic Substances Control Act; and

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The Sanders amendment that prohibits any funding to be used to enter into or renew a contract with any company owned, or partially owned, by the People's Republic of China or the People's Liberation Army of the People's Republic of China.

Pages H5250-51

H. Res. 484, the rule that provided for consideration of the bill, was agreed to by a yeas and nays vote of 221 yeas to 201 nays, Roll No. 265.

Pages H5212-21

Coordinating Council on Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention: The Chair announced the Speaker's appointment of Mr. William Robert Byars, Jr. of South Carolina, to a one-year term, and Ms. Adele L. Grubbs of Georgia, to a three year term on the Coordinating Council on Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention. **Page H5252**

National Skill Standards Board: The Chair announced the Speaker's appointment of Mr. James D. Burge of Washington, D.C. and Mr. Kenneth R. Edwards of Rockville, Maryland to four year terms on the National Skill Standards Board. **Page H5252**

Committee Resignations: Read a letter from Representative Tauscher wherein she resigned from the

Committee on Science; and read a letter from Representative Goode wherein he resigned from the Committee on Small Business. **Page H5252**

Committee Election: Agreed to H. Res. 492, electing Representative Goode to the Committee on Banking and Financial Services; Representatives Tauscher and Brady of Pennsylvania to the Committee on National Security; and Representative Brady of Pennsylvania to the Committee on Small Business. **Page H5252**

Extension of Remarks: Agreed that all members be permitted to extend their remarks and to include extraneous material in that section of the RECORD entitled "Extensions of Remarks" on Thursday, June 25, 1998. **Page H5252**

Senate Messages: Message received from the Senate today appears on page H5067.

Amendments: Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on page H5298.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Three yea and nay votes and four recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H5195–96, H5196, H5196–97, H5211–12, H5212, H5221, and H5251–52. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: Met at 10:00 a.m. and adjourned at 10:41 p.m.

Committee Meetings

AGRICULTURAL CREDIT MEASURES

Committee on Agriculture: Subcommittee on Forestry, Resource Conservation, and Research approved for full Committee action proposed legislation concerning agricultural credit.

COMMERCE, JUSTICE, STATE, AND JUDICIARY APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, State, and Judiciary approved for full Committee action the Commerce, Justice, State, and Judiciary appropriations for fiscal year 1999.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on the District of Columbia held a hearing on Public Education, on Corrections and Public Safety Fiscal Year 1999 Budget requests. Testimony was heard from Gloria Jarmon, Director, GAO; Robert E. Langston, Chief, National Park Service Police, Department of the Interior; Stephen D. Harlan, member, D.C. Financial Responsibility and Management Assistance Authority; Maudine Cooper, Chair, Emergency Transitional Education Board of Trustees; and the following officials of the District of Columbia: Wilma Harvey, President, Board of Education; Arlene

Acherman, Superintendent, Public Schools; Josephine Baker, Chair, Public Charter School Board; Margaret A. Moore, Director, Department of Corrections; John L. Clark, Corrections Trustee; John A. Carver, Trustee, Court Services and Offender Supervision; Charles H. Ramsey, Chief, Metropolitan Police Department; Donald Edwards, Chief, Fire Department; and Annice M. Wagner, Chief Judge, Court of Appeals.

The Subcommittee also obtained information on the general D.C. Fiscal year 1999 budget request. Testimony was heard from Members of Congress; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES; PORTALS INVESTIGATION—CONTEMPT CITATION

Committee on Commerce: Ordered reported amended the following bills: H.R. 872, Biomaterials Access Assurance Act of 1998; H.R. 2921, Multichannel Video Competition and Consumer Protection Act of 1997; H.R. 8, Border Smog Reduction Act of 1998; and H.R. 1689, Securities Litigation Uniform Standards Act of 1998.

The Committee also approved, by a roll call vote of 26 yeas to 18 nays, a Report finding Franklin L. Haney in Contempt of Congress and directing the Speaker to certify the Report with respect to Mr. Haney to the U.S. Attorney for the District of Columbia.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Ordered reported amended the following bills: H.R. 3248, Dollars in the Classroom Act; and H.R. 3007, Commission on the Advancement of Women in Science, Engineering, and Technology Development Act.

AMERICAN WORKER PROJECT

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations continued hearings on American Worker Project: Meeting the Needs of the 21st Century Workplace. Testimony was heard from Stephen Goldsmith, Mayor, Indianapolis, State of Indiana; and public witnesses.

CIVIL SERVICE REFORM ISSUES

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Subcommittee on Civil Service held a hearing on Civil Service Reform Issues. Testimony was heard from Janice LaChance, Director, OPM; Mike Brostek, Associate Director, Federal Workforce and Management Issues, GAO; and public witnesses.

KYOTO PROTOCOL

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Subcommittee on National Economic Growth, Natural Resources, and Regulatory Affairs continued hearings

on "The Kyoto Protocol: Is the Clinton-Gore Administration Selling Our Americans? Part IV." Testimony was heard from Senator Enzi; Ernest Moniz, Under Secretary, Department of Energy; Eliza Perry, City Councilwoman, Homestead, State of Florida; and public witnesses.

COLOMBIAN HEROIN CRISIS

Committee on International Relations: Held a hearing on Colombian Heroin Crisis. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Justice: Tom Kneir, Deputy Assistant Director, Criminal Investigation Division, FBI; and Donnie Marshall, Acting Deputy Administrator, DEA; and Bonnie G. Tischler, Assistant Commissioner, Office of Investigation, U.S. Customs Service, Department of the Treasury.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on International Relations: Subcommittee on Africa approved for full Committee action the following measures: H. Res. 415, to promote independent radio broadcasting in Africa; and H. Con. Res. 292, amended, calling for an end to the recent conflict between Eritrea and Ethiopia.

CHINA AND ECONOMIC ENGAGEMENT: SUCCESS OR FAILURE?

Committee on International Relations: Subcommittee on International Economic Policy and Trade held a hearing on China and Economic Engagement: Success or Failure? Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

OVERSIGHT—TELECOMMUNICATIONS INDUSTRY EFFECTS OF CONSOLIDATION

Committee on the Judiciary: Held an oversight hearing on the Effects of Consolidation on the State of Competition in the Telecommunications Industry. Testimony was heard from Joel Klein, Assistant Attorney General, Antitrust Division, Department of Justice; Susan Ness, Commissioner, FCC; and public witnesses.

CLASS ACTION JURISDICTION ACT

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Courts and Intellectual Property approved for full Committee action H.R. 3789, Class Action Jurisdiction Act of 1998, amended.

INTERNET GAMBLING PROHIBITION ACT

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Crime held a hearing on H.R. 2380, Internet Gambling Prohibition Act of 1997. Testimony was heard from Kevin Di Gregory, Deputy Assistant Attorney General, Criminal Division, Department of Justice; and public witnesses.

ENCOURAGE COMPETITION AND TAX FAIRNESS AND PROTECT TAX BASE OF LOCAL GOVERNMENTS

Committee on Resources: Held a hearing on H.R. 1168, to encourage competition and tax fairness and to protect the tax base of State and local governments. Testimony was heard from Representatives Istook, Visclosky and LaHood; Kevin Gover, Assistant Secretary, Indian Affairs, Department of the Interior; and public witnesses.

LEGISLATIVE BRANCH APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, a structured rule providing 1 hour of debate on H.R. 4112, making appropriations for the Legislative Branch for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999. The rule waives clause 2(I)(6) of rule XI (requiring a 3 day layover of the committee report), clause 3 of rule XXI (requiring that the report include a list of unauthorized accounts), clause 7 of rule XXI (requiring relevant printed hearings and reports be available for three days prior to the consideration of a general appropriations bill), and section 401 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 (prohibiting consideration of budget-related legislation, as reported, that is not subject to appropriations) against consideration of the bill.

The rule waives clause 2 (prohibiting unauthorized appropriations or legislative provisions in a general appropriations bill), and clause 6 (prohibiting reappropriations in a general appropriations bill), of rule XXI against provisions in the bill, except against section 108 (mandating participation in government transit programs).

The rule provides that no amendments will be in order except those printed in the Rules Committee report accompanying this resolution. The rule provides that each amendment may be considered only in the order printed in the report, may be offered only by a member designated in the report, shall be debatable for the time specified in the report equally divided between the proponent and an opponent, and shall not be subject to amendment. The rule waives all points of order against the amendments printed in the report. The rule provides that the chairman of the Committee of the Whole may postpone recorded votes on any amendment and that the chairman may reduce voting time on postponed questions to 5 minutes, provided that the voting time on the first in a series of questions is not less than 15 minutes. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instruction. Testimony was heard from Representatives Walsh, Serrano, Hoyer, Farr, Gutierrez and Blumenauer.

CONFERENCE REPORT—IRS RESTRUCTURING AND REFORM ACT

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, a rule waiving all points of order against the conference report to accompany H.R. 2676, Internal Revenue Service Restructuring and Reform Act of 1998, and against its consideration. The rule provides that the conference report shall be considered as read. Testimony was heard from Chairman Archer.

ADJOURNMENT RESOLUTION

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, a rule providing for the consideration of a concurrent resolution providing for the adjournment of the House and Senate for the Independence Day district work period. The rule waives all points of order against the consideration of the resolution.

OVERSIGHT—INTERNATIONAL SPACE STATION

Committee on Science: Held an oversight hearing on Houston, We Have a Problem: The Administration's Plan to Fix the International Space Station. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the NASA: Daniel Goldin, Administrator; and Jay Chabrow, Chairman, Cost Assessment and Validation Task Force, Advisory Council; and Allen Li, Associate Director, GAO.

HUBZONE PROGRAM

Committee on Small Business: Subcommittee on Government Programs and Oversight held a hearing on the HubZone Program. Testimony was heard from Jesse L. White, Jr., Federal Co-Chairman, Appalachian Regional Commission; Ralph C. Thomas, III, Associate Administrator, Office of Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization, NASA; the following officials of the Department of Defense: Loyd C. Alderman, Director, Office of Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization, Defense Logistics Agency; and Tracey L. Pinson, Director, Office of Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization, Office of the Secretary of the Army; Richard L. Hayes, Associate Deputy Administrator, Government Contracting and Minority Enterprise Development, SBA; and Robin Douglas, Regional Manager, Western Maryland, Department of Business and Economic Development, State of Maryland.

VETERANS LEGISLATION

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Ordered reported the following bills: H.R. 3980, amended, Persian Gulf Veterans Health Care and Research Act of 1998; and H.R. 4110, Veterans Benefits Improvement Act of 1998.

ERA OF SURPLUSES—MANAGING THE PUBLIC DEBT

Committee on Ways and Means: Held a hearing on Managing the Public Debt in an Era of Surpluses. Testimony was heard from Paul L. Posner, Director, Budget Issues, Accounting and Information Management Division, GAO; Gary Gensler, Assistant Secretary, Financial Markets, Department of the Treasury; and public witnesses.

Joint Meetings

IRS REFORM

Conferees agreed to file a conference report on the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of H.R. 2676, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to restructure and reform the Internal Revenue Service.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THURSDAY, JUNE 25, 1998

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry, business meeting, to mark up proposed legislation authorizing funds for child nutrition programs, including the Women, Infants and Children program, time and room to be announced.

Committee on Appropriations, business meeting, to mark up proposed legislation making appropriations for the Department of Interior and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999, and proposed legislation making appropriations for the Departments of Commerce, Justice, State, and the Judiciary, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999, 2 p.m., SD-106.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs, to continue hearings on H.R. 10, to enhance competition in the financial services industry by providing a prudential framework for the affiliation of banks, securities firms, and other financial service providers; to be followed by a business meeting to consider the nominations of Michael J. Copps, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary for Trade Development, and Awilda R. Marquez, of Maryland, to be Assistant Secretary, and Director General of the United States and Foreign Commercial Service, both of the Department of Commerce, and to mark up S. 1283, the "Little Rock Nine" Congressional Gold Medal Act, and the proposed "International Anti-Bribery Act of 1998", 10 a.m., SD-538.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, to hold hearings on the nomination of William Lloyd Massey, of Arkansas, to be a Member of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 9:30 a.m., SD-366.

Subcommittee on Forests and Public Land Management, to hold hearings on S. 2146, to provide for the exchange of certain lands within the State of Utah, 2 p.m., SD-366.

Committee on Foreign Relations, to hold closed hearings to examine Chinese missile proliferation, 2 p.m., S-407, Capitol.

Committee on Governmental Affairs, to hold hearings to examine the Defense Technology Security Administration's role in approving critical technology exports, 10:30 a.m., SD-342.

Committee on the Judiciary, business meeting, to consider pending calendar business, 9 a.m., SD-226.

Subcommittee on Administrative Oversight and the Courts, to hold hearings to review the judgeship needs of the 6th and 7th Circuits, 2 p.m., SD-226.

Committee on Labor and Human Resources, to hold hearings to examine health insurance coverage for older workers, 10 a.m., SD-430.

Select Committee on Intelligence, to hold closed hearings on intelligence matters, 10 a.m., SH-219.

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For a listing of Senate committee meetings scheduled ahead, see page E1217 in today's Record

House

Committee on Agriculture, Subcommittee on Department Operations, Nutrition, and Foreign Agriculture, hearing to review the implementation of the Food Quality Protection Act, 9 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

Subcommittee on General Farm Commodities, hearing to review the Administration's use of agricultural export programs, 10:30 a.m., 1302 Longworth.

Committee on Appropriations, to mark up the following appropriations for fiscal year 1999: Interior; and VA, HUD and Independent Agencies, 9:30 a.m., 2359 Rayburn.

Committee on Banking and Financial Services, to mark up H.R. 219, Homeowners' Insurance Availability Act of 1997, 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on Commerce, Subcommittee on Telecommunications, Trade, and Consumer Protection, hearing on Electronic Commerce: Consumer Protection in Cyberspace, 10:30 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Committee on Education and the Workforce, Subcommittee on Employer-Employee Relations, to continue hearings on Impediments to Union Democracy, Part II: Right to Vote in the Carpenter's Union? 1 p.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Committee on International Relations, hearing on Prospects for Democracy in Nigeria, 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Committee on the Judiciary, Subcommittee on Crime, hearing on the following bills; H.R. 4100, Free Market Prison Industries Reform Act of 1998; and H.R. 2758, Federal Prison Industries Competition in Contracting Act of 1997, 2 p.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Immigration, hearing on H.R. 3539, Radiation Workers Justice Act of 1998, 10 a.m., 2237 Rayburn.

Committee on Resources, Subcommittee on Forests and Forest Health, oversight hearing on Forest Service Training, 10 a.m., 1334 Longworth.

Subcommittee on Water and Power, oversight hearing on the status of the Auburn Dam Site and the potential to transfer the Federal interest to the State of California and to mark up the following: a measure concerning the Auburn Dam site; H.R. 1282, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain facilities of the Minidoka project to the Burley Irrigation district; H.R. 1943, to convey certain real property within the Carlsbad Project in New Mexico to the Carlsbad Irrigation District; H.R. 2161, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey the Palmetto Bend Project to the State of Texas; H.R. 2506,

to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey the Collbran Reclamation Project to the Ute Water Conservancy District and the Collbran Conservancy District; H.R. 3056, to provide for the preservation and sustainability of the family farm through the transfer of responsibility for operation and maintenance of the Flathead Indian Irrigation Project; H.R. 3677, to authorize and direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain works, facilities, and titles of the Gila Project, and Designated Lands within or adjacent to the Gilda Project, to the Wellton Mohawk Irrigation and Drainage District; H.R. 3687, to authorize prepayment of amounts due under a water reclamation project contract for the Canadian River Project, Texas; H.R. 3706, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to implement the provisions of the Agreement conveying title to a Distribution System from the United States to the Clear Creek Community Services District; H.R. 3715, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to convey the facilities of the Pine River Project, to allow jurisdictional transfer of lands between the Department of Agriculture, Forest Service, and the Department of the Interior, Bureau of Reclamation, and the Bureau of Indian Affairs; and H.R. 4048, to convey the Sly Park Dam and Reservoir to the El Dorado Irrigation District, 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

Committee on Science, oversight hearing on China: Dual-Use Space Technology, 9:30 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Committee on Small Business, to mark up H.R. 4078, Women's Small Business Expansion Act of 1998, 10 a.m., 2360 Rayburn.

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, to mark up the following: Public Building Resolutions (construction, advance design, repair and alteration); H.R. 2379, to designate the Federal building and U.S. courthouse located at 251 North Main Street in Winston-Salem, NC, as the "Hiram H. Ward Federal Building and United States Courthouse"; H.R. 2787, amended, to designate the United States courthouse located in New Haven, Connecticut, as the "Richard C. Lee United States Courthouse"; H.R. 3696, to designate the Federal Courthouse located at 316 North 26th Street in Billings, Montana, as the "James F. Battin Federal Courthouse"; H.R. 3223, to designate the Federal building located at 300 East 8th Street in Austin, Texas, as the "J.J. 'Jake' Pickle Federal Building"; and S. 1800, to designate the Federal building and United States courthouse located at 85 Marconi Boulevard in Columbus, Ohio, as the "Joseph P. Kinneary United States Courthouse"; Corps of Engineers Survey Resolutions; NRCS Small Watershed Project Resolutions; H.R. 3869, Disaster Mitigation Act of 1998; H.R. 4058, to amend title 49, United States Code, to reauthorize programs of the Federal Aviation Administration; H.R. 2748, amended, Airline Service Improvement Act; and H.R. 4057, amended, Airport Improvement Program Reauthorization Act of 1998, 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation, oversight hearing of the U.S. Role in the International Maritime Organization, 1 p.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Committee on Ways and Means, to mark up the following measures: H.R. 3249, Federal Retirement Coverage Corrections Act; H.J. Res. 120, disapproving the extension of the waiver authority contained in section 402(c) of the Trade Act of 1974 with respect to Vietnam; and H.J. Res. 121, disapproving the extension of nondiscriminatory treatment (most-favored-nation treatment) to the products of the People's Republic of China, 10 a.m., 1100 Longworth.

Next Meeting of the SENATE

9:30 a.m., Thursday, June 25

Senate Chamber

Program for Thursday: Senate will resume consideration of S. 2057, DOD Authorizations.

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

10 a.m., Thursday, June 25

House Chamber

Program for Thursday: Consideration of H. Con. Res. , Providing for Adjournment for Independence Day District Work Period;

Consideration of H.R. 4104, Treasury, Postal Service, and General Government Appropriations Act, 1999 (rule Only);

Consideration of the conference report on H.R. 2676, Internal Revenue Service Restructuring and Reform Act (rule only);

Consideration of H.R. 4112, Legislative Branch Appropriations Act, 1999 (structured rule, one hour of general debate);

Swearing-In of Member-Elect Heather Wilson of New Mexico; and

Consideration of conference report on H.R. 2676, Internal Revenue Service Restructuring and Reform Act.

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